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1. REFTTEL'S POSSIBLE TRADE OPPORTUNITY FROM THE NUCLEAR MEDICAL CENTER AT DAMASCUS MOUWASSAT HOSPITAL RAISES NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION CONCERNS. ALTHOUGH SYRIA HAS SIGNED AND RATIFIED THE NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION TREATY, ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS MUST BE MADE BEFORE THE U.S. WILL APPROVE A NUCLEAR TRANSFER. THESE ADDITIONAL AGREEMENTS
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COULD TAKE ONE OF TWO FORMS: (1) A USG/SARG BILATERAL, OR (2) A SARG AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, UNDER WHICH U.S. NUCLEAR TRANSFERS WOULD BE MADE TO IAEA AND HENCE TO SARG.

2. GENERAL ATOMIC IS THE PRIME U.S. SUPPLIER OF NUCLEAR MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY. THE DEPARTMENT HAS TOLD GENERAL

ATOMIC TO GO SLOW ABOUT RESPONDING TO TRADE OPPORTUNITIES
IN THE NEAR FUTURE BECAUSE THE USG IS IN THE MIDST OF A
GENERAL REVIEW OF ITS NUCLEAR POLICIES.

3. THE COST OF A SMALL NUCLEAR REACTOR TO PRODUCE RADIO-
CHEMICALS AND ISOTOPES FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT IS SO CON-
SIDERABLY HIGHER THAN THE COST OF THE ISOTOPES THEMSELVES
THAT WE QUESTION THE VIABILITY OF THIS TRADE OPPORTUNITY.

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